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"For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen" Romans 11:36

PRAISING THE LORD

 For God's blessings on our missionary training ministry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Safety as we travel to Illinois, Indiana and Michigan for meetings.
- SMART classes being planned for October and November.
- Our son Bryan to return to the Lord.

HERE'S A SMART IDEA

A big challenge to new missionaries is that of preparing for the "The Big Move": that time when they will actually move to a foreign country. The *SMART* class on Outfitting & Passage gives valuable insight in how to prepare and ship their goods overseas.

If you know a missionary who will soon be moving to a foreign country, please encourage them to contact me about this training course. We would love to help them.

TERRY & BARBARA CHILDERS

"Building Durable Missionaries So They Keep on Going"

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Dear Praying Friends:

We are greatly encouraged by how the Lord continues blessing our missionary training ministry. We thank the Lord for blessing our annual Training School this summer and we thank those of you who prayed; everything went very well. The Training School, along with our <u>Specialized Missionary And Resource Training</u> ministry (a.k.a. *SMART*), are two ways through which we are working to build durable missionaries so they can keep on going in their service for the Lord.

This has been a good year for *SMART*. In the past eight months the Lord has provided four opportunities for us to teach the *SMART* <u>Leadership Development</u> with a total of forty people attending these training classes. The following was in a note which we received from a veteran missionary who attended:

"Because missionaries are constantly dealing with people, it is vital that they develop proper interpersonal relationship skills. These lessons were very enlightening, especially the subject of <u>Resolving Conflicts</u>. This material would benefit every missionary."

Currently I am working to set up some individual training sessions with two missionaries who have contacted me for help. One of them attended several of our classes before he went to Africa. He is now on furlough and wants to get more training that he hopes will help him when he returns to the field. Another is a family of six who are preparing to go and live in a third-world country for the first time. They have asked for help so they can learn about disease prevention, water purification, alternative power systems and culture shock strategies. Please pray that the Lord will direct us in helping to prepare them to live on the field.

For those of you who have not heard the news, our dear Brother, Garvin Dykes, was taken to Heaven on June 25th. He will be sorely missed. Brother Dykes served with BIO for nineteen years; for many of those years he served as the president. I know that Faye, his widow, would appreciate you praying for her and the family.

In closing, we thank you for the support and gifts which you send; they are used of the Lord to supply our needs so that we can continue our ministry of <u>building durable missionaries</u> who can keep on going. May the Lord richly bless you for your continued support of our ministry. Thank you for partnering with us.

In the service of the King,

Terry and Barbara Childers

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